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Consideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

The abstract has been amended to better comply with the requirements of MPEP 608.01(b), and the specification has been amended to correct some minor grammatical errors of which the undersigned has become aware and to place the specification in better U.S. form. Submitted herewith is a marked copy of the original specification to show that no new matter has been added, and a substitute specification incorporating all of the amendments is submitted herewith.

In addition, the claims have been amended to make minor grammatical improvements and to correct minor antecedent basis problems so as to put the claims in better U.S. form. These amendments are not related to patentability and do not narrow the scope of the claims either literally or under the doctrine of equivalents.

Still further, the sheets of formal drawings showing Figs. 1-6 have been amended to delete the docket reference A 617 DE, and Fig. 2 has been amended to change reference numeral 22 to 23.

No new matter has been added, and it is respectfully requested that the amendments to the abstract, specification, and

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claims be approved and entered, and that prosecution on the merits proceed in light of this Preliminary Amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

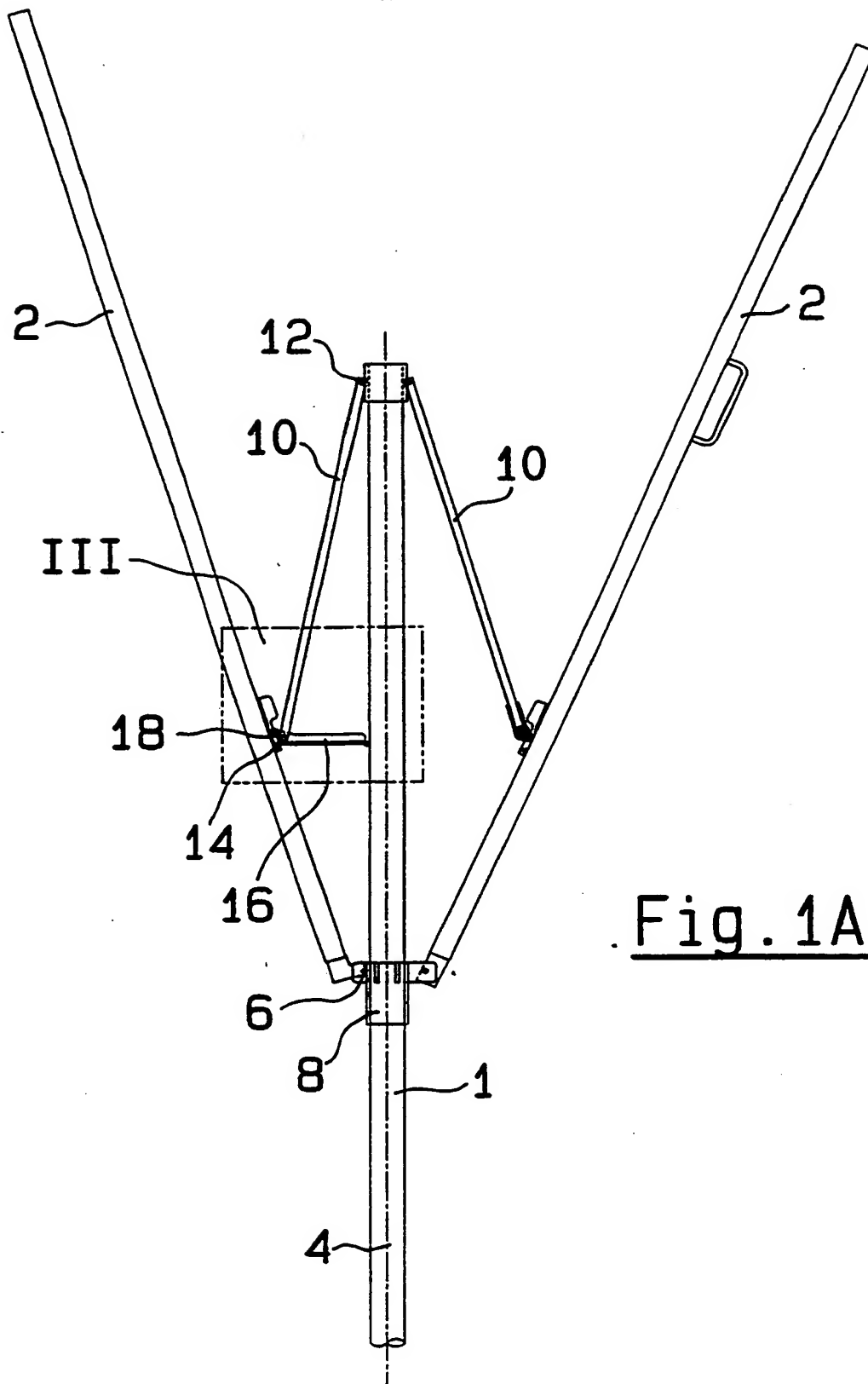


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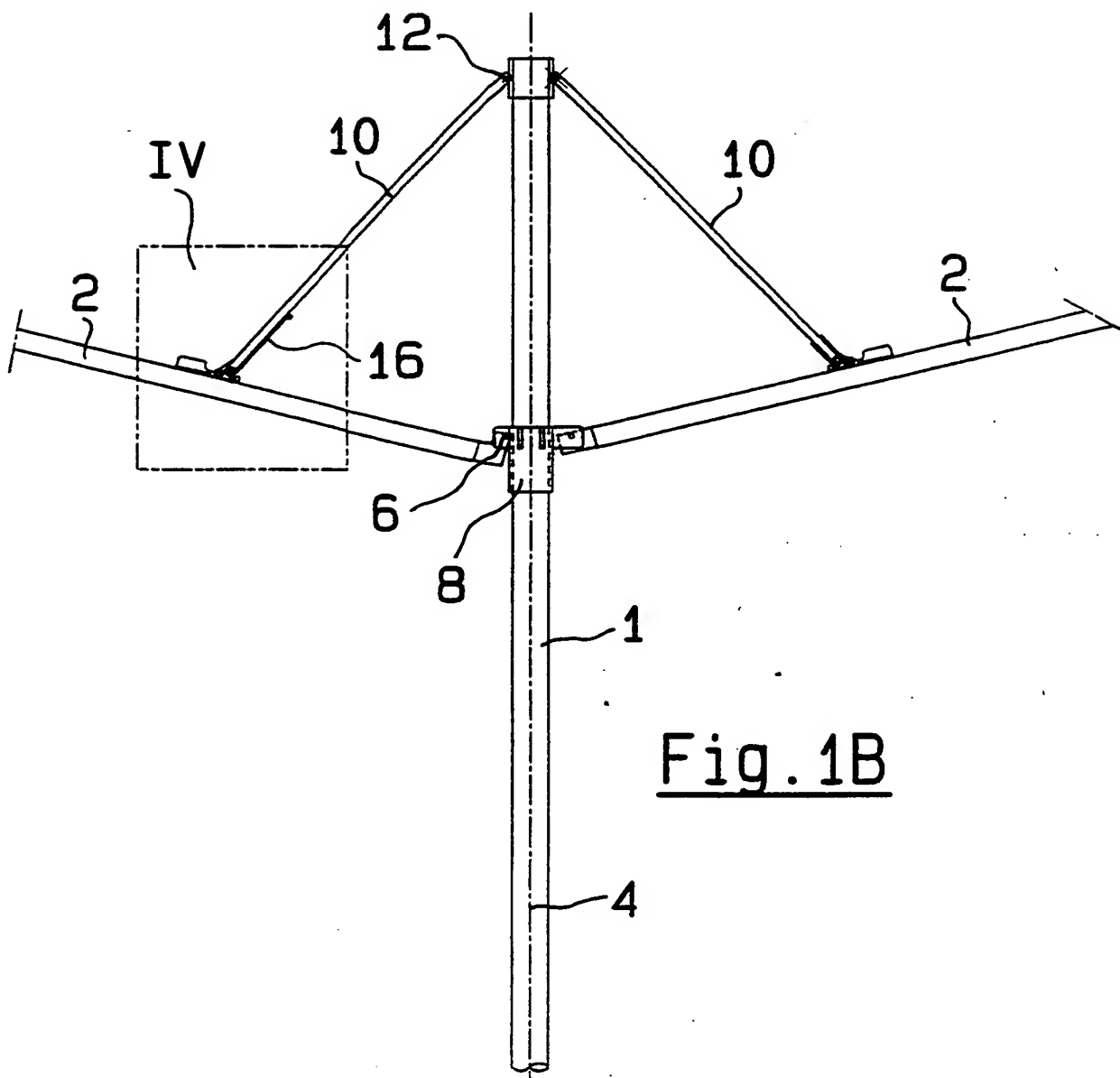
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Fig. 2

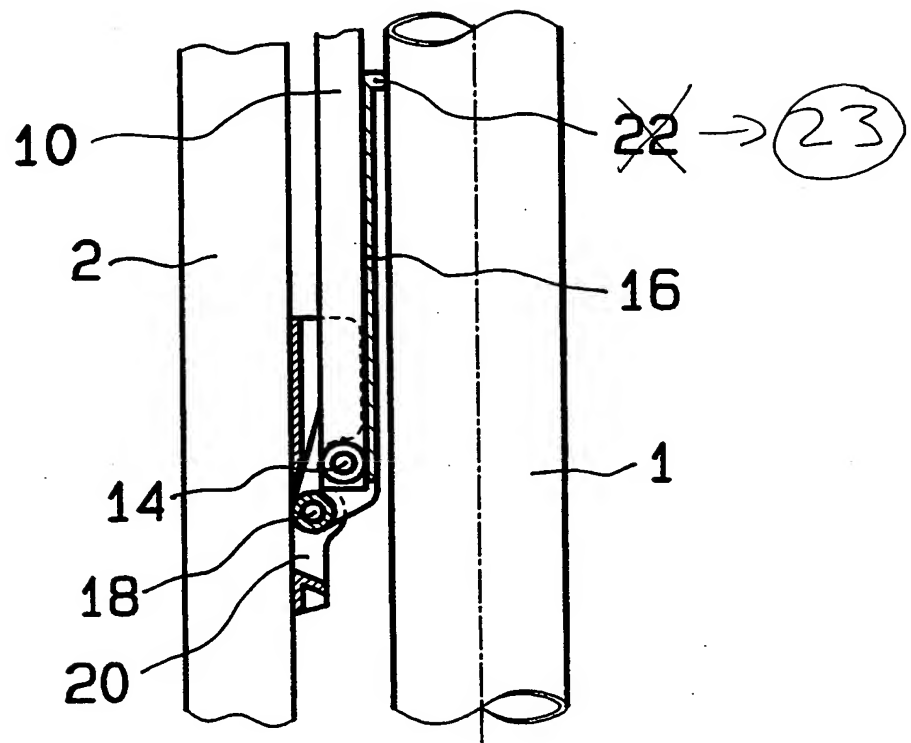
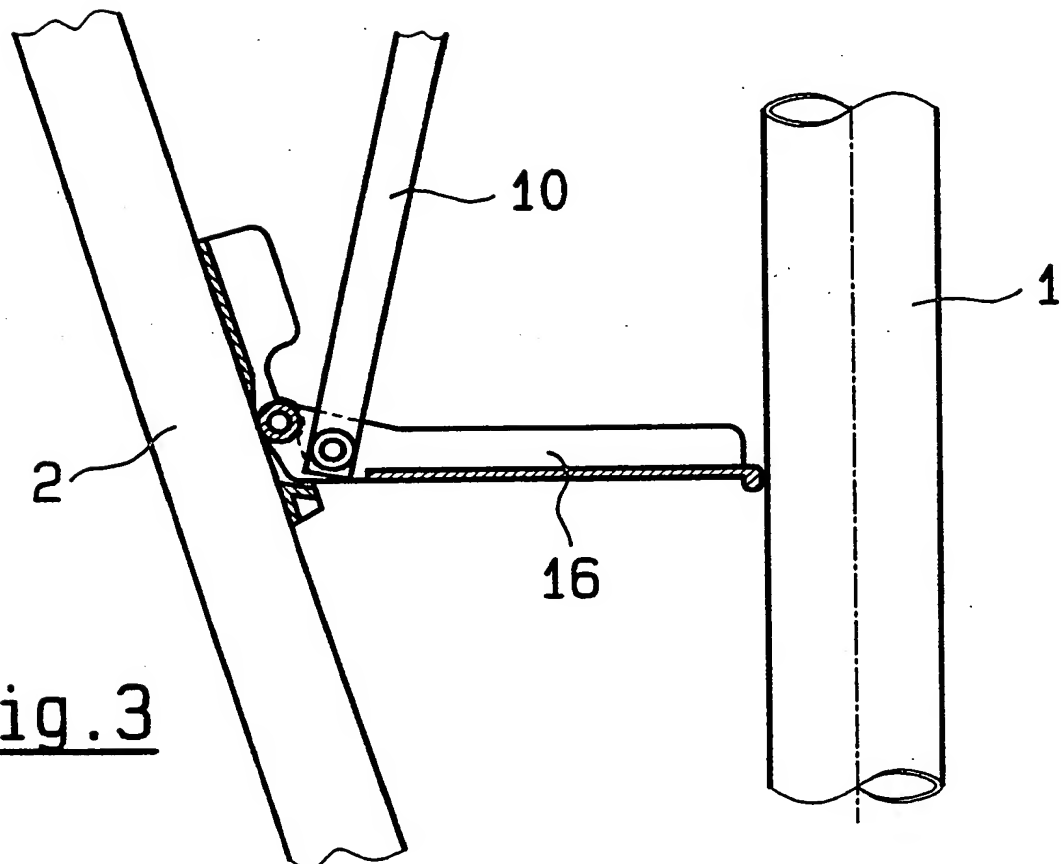


Fig. 3



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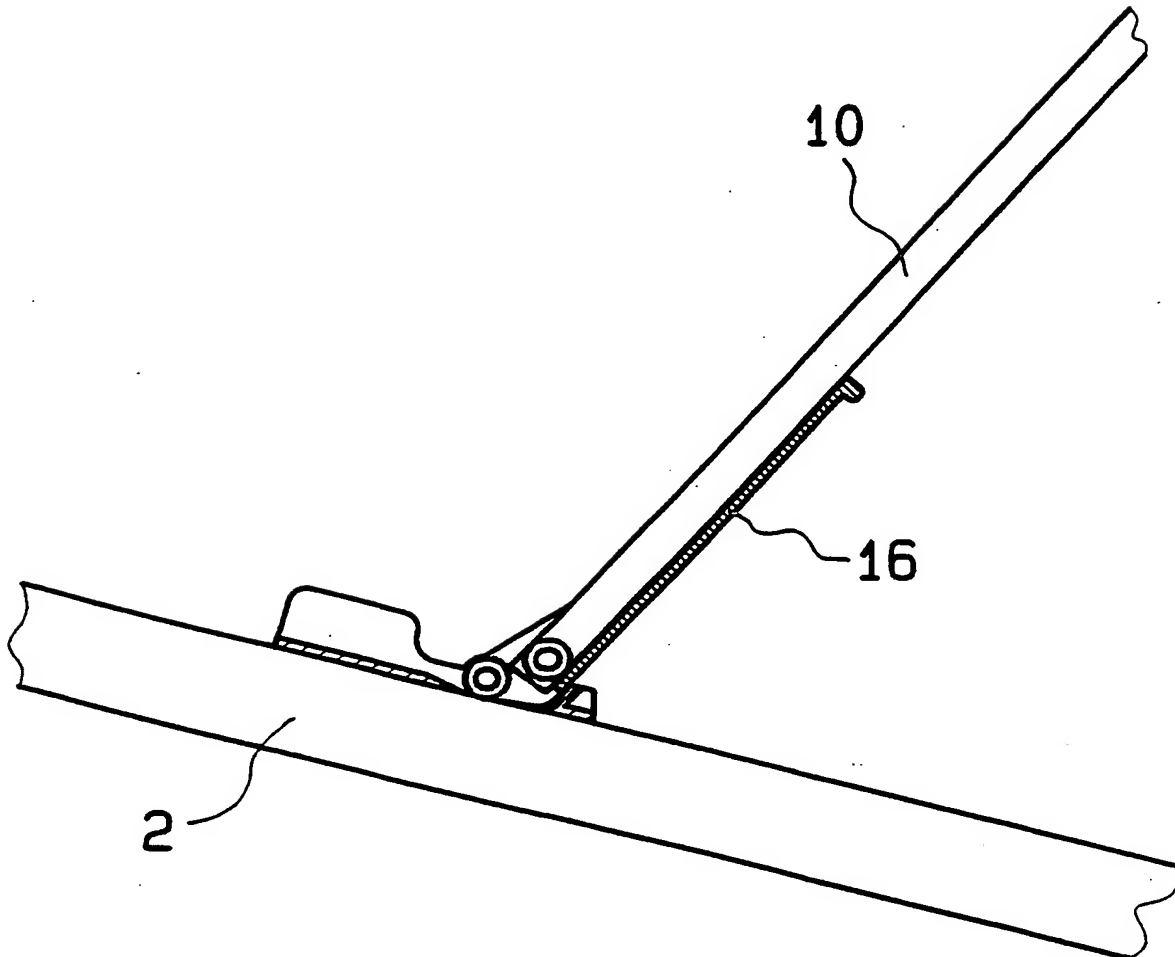


Fig. 4

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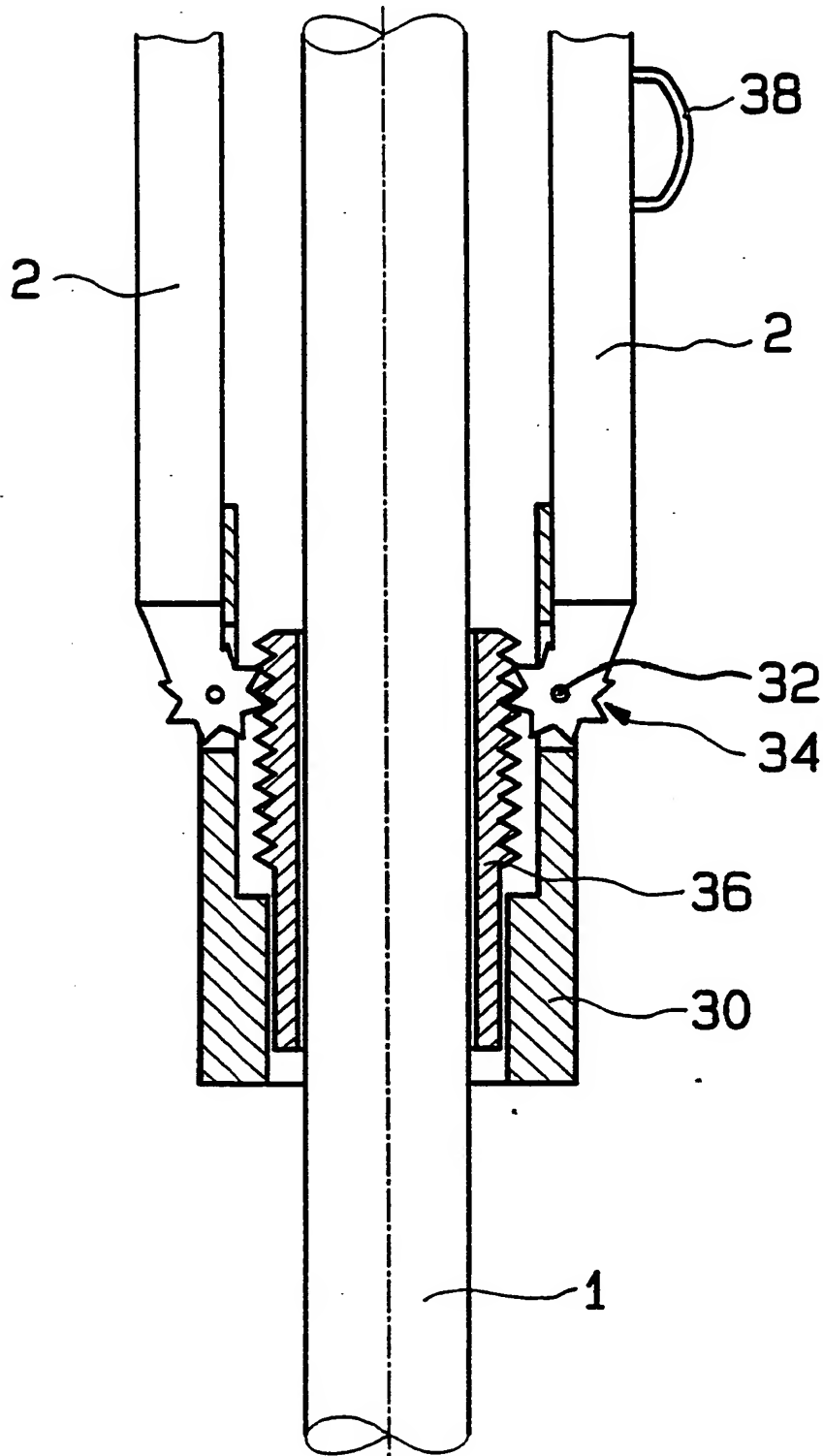


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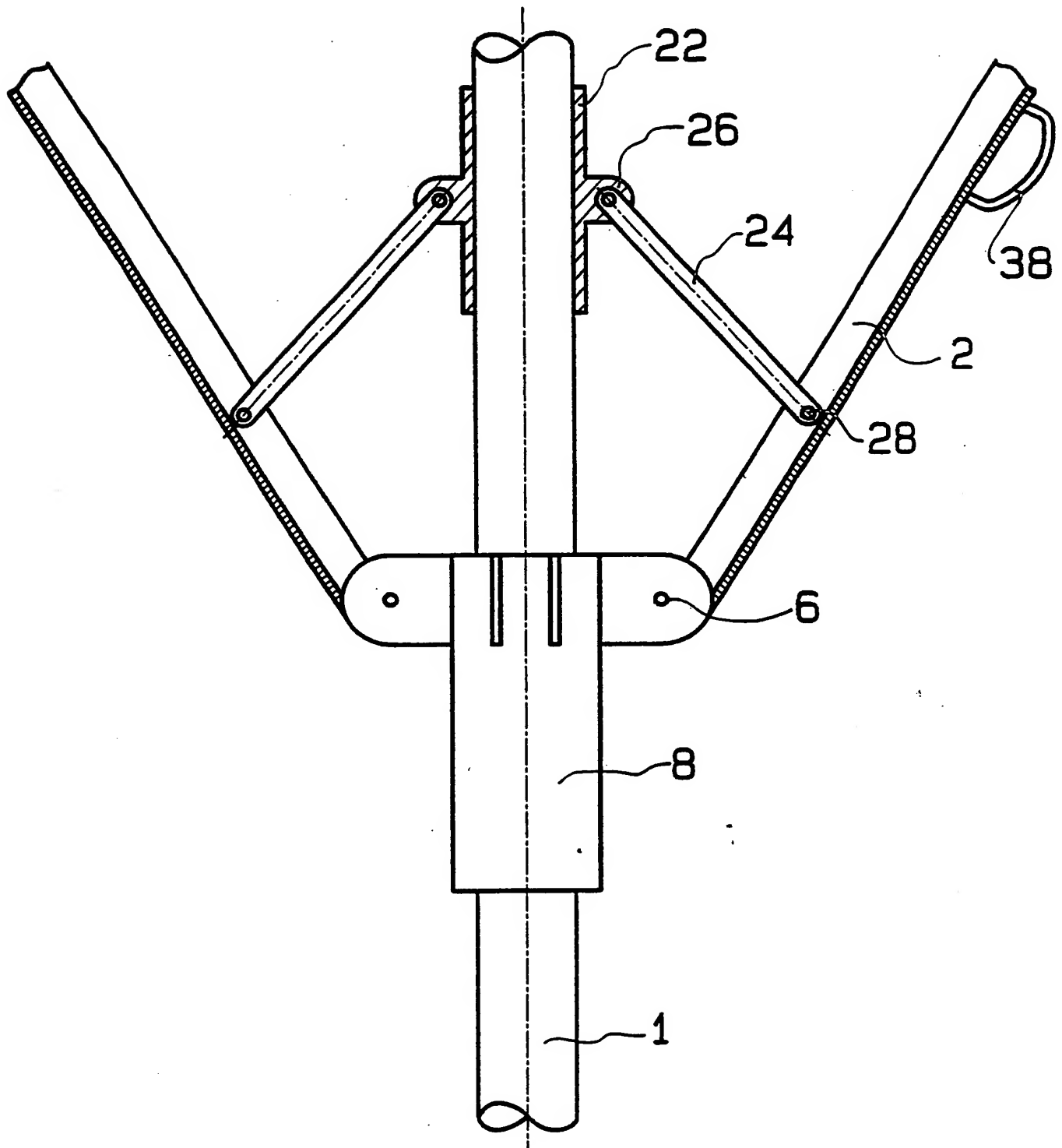


Fig. 6